

Meeting:	Schools Forum
Date:	11 March 2025
Subject:	Item 6: Early Years Funding 2025-26 consultation outcome
Responsible Officer:	Andrew Osei, Interim Finance Business Partner – Children’s Services

Summary

1. This report provides an update on Early Years funding consultation for 2025-26.
2. Schools Forum is required to:
 - Note the outcome of the Early Years Funding consultation

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3. In January 2025, the Schools Forum reviewed the consultation document on the 2025-26 the Early Years Funding Formula
4. The consultation run from 15th January 2025 to 31st January 2025
5. The attached appendix sets provides a summary of the outcome of the consultation
6. Local authorities must determine their funding formulae before the beginning of the financial year and it must first consult with its schools’ forum, maintained schools and early years providers. The final decision on the funding formulae, following any consultation, rests with the local authority

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